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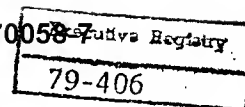
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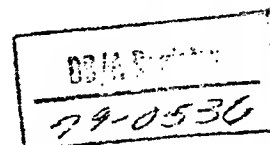
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February 5, 1979



Admiral Stansfield Turner, USN
Director of Central Intelligence
Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Admiral Turner:

The Department of State is now engaged in identifying candidates from the Department and from the Foreign Service whose proven performance and demonstrated potential for assuming higher responsibilities at the executive level of the Government would make them eligible for participation in the Twenty-second Executive Seminar in National and International Affairs commencing September 4, 1979. The purpose of this letter is to invite you to nominate two officers of similar qualifications from the Central Intelligence Agency to participate in the Seminar.

Since it was established over twenty years ago, the primary purpose of the Seminar has been to provide a select group of senior career civilian and military officers who have a substantial career potential with the opportunity to examine in depth developments and issues in the United States whose importance may affect foreign policy and the national security. The fundamental assumption of the Seminar is that the experience, maturity, and intellectual caliber of its participants will make them receptive to new ideas and concepts derived from lectures, travel, and the preparation of individual case studies. The size of the Seminar is deliberately restricted to about twenty-seven Members in order to facilitate exchanges among its participants and with the private speakers and public figures with whom they meet.

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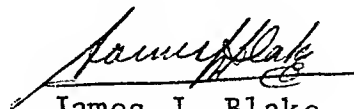
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The ability of the Seminar to achieve its goals is heavily dependent on the caliber of the Members chosen by their sponsoring agencies. I would therefore urge the Central Intelligence Agency to nominate two candidates for participation in the Twenty-second Executive Seminar with the foregoing considerations in mind.

Because of the close interaction between domestic developments on the one hand and our foreign policy and national security objectives on the other, the inclusion of representatives from the Central Intelligence Agency would be particularly welcome.

If the C.I.A. is in a position to nominate two officers, who should be in the grade of GS-15 or 16, we, in cooperation with the appropriate members of your staff, will make the necessary administrative and support arrangements.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "James J. Blake", is written over a horizontal line.

James J. Blake
Coordinator